



**Articulation Agreement of Academic Programs
between Bristol Community College and Bridgewater State University**

The above institutions hereby enter into an agreement to facilitate the transfer of students enrolled in the Associate in Science Degree program in the Life Sciences/Environmental Science Transfer at Bristol Community College into the Bachelor of Science Degree program in Environmental Sustainability and Climate Resilience Concentration at Bridgewater State University.

Bridgewater State University's designated representative will be Jeff Sarahs, Interim Director of Transfer Services and Bristol's representative will be Stefanie Deprey, Assistant Director of Transfer Services.

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Objectives:

1. To attract qualified students to Bristol Community College and Bridgewater State University.
2. To promote and facilitate an efficient transition of transfer students between institutions.
3. To provide specific information and guidelines for transfer students.
4. To encourage academic coordination and cooperation, including curricular reviews, on-site visits, and joint academic advising for students attending Bristol Community College.

Stipulations:

1. Bridgewater State University guarantees acceptance of Bristol Community College students who complete the Associate Degree program in Life Sciences/Environmental Science Transfer, with an overall GPA of 2.5, as outlined in this document, and meet all criteria of the *MassTransfer* Program (see below).
2. At least one-half of a student's academic major as well as a minimum of thirty semester hours must be completed as a student of Bridgewater State University. BSU accepts up to 69 credits from a community college.
3. Students admitted into the baccalaureate program are subject to the academic policies of Bridgewater State University.

Mutual Responsibilities:

1. Both institutions agree to maintain current listings of the course equivalencies. This will be the responsibility of the two designated representatives.
2. Bristol Community College and Bridgewater State University will incorporate a summary of this agreement into official publications and web sites.
3. Bristol Community College and Bridgewater State University agree to encourage qualified students to participate in this program by providing information, advising, and other assistance required to foster a seamless transition from Bristol Community College to Bridgewater State University.
4. Applicants applying under this program shall be eligible for the same financial aid consideration as other entering students. Students transfer with junior status with regard to financial aid and registration.

Review/Revision:

Review of the contents or implementation of this agreement will occur whenever requested by either party through the designated representatives. Substantive changes in the courses or program of either institution will evoke review processes. Revisions must be mutually agreed upon, with one-year notice prior to termination of the agreement.

MASSTRANSFER PROGRAM:

Benefits for students who complete approved associate degrees under *MassTransfer* are:

Minimum Final GPA	Benefits
2.0 GPA	No admission fee or essay; Guaranteed, full transfer of credits applied to the bachelor's degree (including D – 1.0 grades); and Automatic satisfaction of the general education requirements at the receiving institution, with the receiving institution able to add no more than six additional credits/two courses, if admitted.
2.5 GPA	All of the above benefits, plus guaranteed admission
3.0 GPA	All of the above benefits, plus a 100% tuition waiver

Stipulations: If the student changes his or her major or if the linked baccalaureate program requires a higher-grade point average or specific courses which are required of native students, the *MassTransfer* student must meet these requirements. If because of space or fiscal limitations the receiving institution does not admit all qualified applicants to a given major or program, the receiving institution will use the same criteria for *MassTransfer* applicants as it does for its native students.

In keeping with the *MassTransfer* Program:

- As a participant in the *MassTransfer* Program, the Bridgewater State University application fee is waived when students complete the BSU online application.
- Developmental courses and courses with D- will not transfer.
- All *MassTransfer* requirements must be met prior to enrollment at Bridgewater State University.
- The grade "D" will be accepted toward the Baccalaureate Degree but will be credited toward the major only if a "D" grade will count for native students who began at BSU.
- If the student maintains a 3.0 GPA for the first year at the transfer institution, he or she will receive 100% tuition waiver for the second year of attendance.

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Articulation Agreement

Summary of Benefits:

- Guaranteed acceptance with a minimum G.P.A. of 2.5
- Tuition Reduction with minimum G.P.A. of 3.0
- Guaranteed transfer of credits of all courses with a C- or better
- Guaranteed benefits of the General Education Foundation Block.
- Students transfer with Junior status with regard to financial aid and registration eligibility

BCC: Life Sciences/Environmental Science Transfer	Credit(s)	BSU: Environmental Sustainability and Climate Resilience Concentration	Credit(s)
BIO 121 Fundamentals of Biological Science I	4	BIOL 121 General Biology I	4
CHM 113 Fundamentals of Chemistry I	4	CHEM 141 Chemical Principles I	4
CSS 101 College Success Seminar	1	Core or Free Elective	1
ENG 101 Composition I: College Writing	3	ENGL 101 Writing Rhetorically	3
History 111, 112, or 113	3	Core or Free Elective	3
BIO 122 Fundamentals of Biological Science II	4	BIOL 122 General Biology II	4
CHM 114 Fundamentals of Chemistry II	4	CHEM 142 Chemical Principles II	4
ENG 102 Composition II: Writing about Literature	3	ENGL 102 Writing Rhetorically w/Sources	3
Technical Literacy	3	Core or Free Elective	3
Behavioral/Social Science Elective (choose one): SOC 101, 212, or 252	3	Core or Free Elective	3
Multicultural Perspective Elective	3	Core or Free Elective	3
SCI 112 Principles of Ecology	4	BIOL 1XX Principles of Ecology	4
Program elective I, II, or III	3 or 4	Core or Free Elective	3
Behavioral/Social Science Elective (choose two): SSC 217, SSC 101, GVT 111, ECN 111, ECN 112	6	Core or Free Elective	6
Program Elective I, II, or III	3 or 4	Core or Free Elective	3
COM 101 Public Speaking	3	COMM 102 Intro to Public Speaking	3
Mathematical Electives (choose two): MTH 119, 152, 172, 214, 215	6, 7, or 8	Core or Free Elective	6, 7, or 8
Program Elective I, II, or III	3 or 4	Core or Free Elective	
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Courses to be completed at BSU

Course Requirements

Required geography foundation courses (17 credits)

[GEOG 115 - Maps and Geodata](#)

[GEOG 121 - Physical Geography](#)

[GEOG 151 - Human Geography](#)

[GEOG 213 - Introduction to Geographic Information Systems](#)

[GEOG 490 - Seminar in Geography](#)

Required environmental sustainability and climate resilience courses (6 credits)

[GEOG 222 - Climatology](#)

[GEOG 462 - Planning of Urban Spaces](#)

Regional elective (3 credits)

Complete one course, selected from the following:

[GEOG 374 - Middle East: Islam and Theater of Conflict](#)

[GEOG 375 - South Asia: Land of Diversity and Disparity](#)

[GEOG 381 - Latin America: Globalization and Cohesion](#)

[GEOG 383 - Geography of the United States](#)

[GEOG 386 - Geography of Canada](#)

[GEOG 388 - Africa: People, Resources and Development](#)

Planning elective (3 credits)

Complete one course, selected from the following:

[GEOG 353 - Urban Geography](#)

[GEOG 365 - Transportation and Geography](#)

[GEOG 463 - Applications in Urban Planning](#)

Physical geography elective (3-4 credits)

Complete one course, selected from the following:

[GEOG 220 - Online Weather Studies](#)

[GEOG 221 - Meteorology](#)

[GEOG 321 - Applied Meteorology](#)

[GEOG 323 - Water Resources: Understanding and Managing Earth's Most Precious Natural Resources](#)

[GEOG 324 - Earth Surface Processes](#)

Environmental geography elective (3 credits)

Complete one course, selected from the following:

[GEOG 295 - Study Tour: Geography of Coffee](#)

[GEOG 331 - Geography of Environmental Problems](#)

[GEOG 332 - Land Protection](#)

[GEOG 333 - Environmental Justice](#)

[GEOG 431 - Environmental Regulations](#)

High impact practices in geography elective (3 credits)

Complete one course, selected from the following:

[GEOG 296 - Field Study Tour in Geography](#)

[GEOG 396 - Field Experience in Geography](#)

[GEOG 397 - Research Problems in Geography](#)

[GEOG 498 - Internship in Geography](#)

Study Abroad program, with consent of the department chair

Required cognate courses (9 credits)

[COMM 226 - Public Relations Principles](#)

[COMM 359 - Strategic Communication for Non-Profits](#)

[SUST 101 - Sustainability Innovation and Leadership](#)

Cognate elective (3 credits)

Complete one course, selected from the following:

[BIOL 117 - Environmental Biology](#)

[PHYS 180 - Energy and its Social Uses](#)

Major: Minimum of 50 credits

Core Curriculum Requirements

A minimum of 120 earned credit hours is required for graduation. These earned hours include the Core Curriculum Requirements as specified in the Core Curriculum section of this catalog and at the Core Curriculum website, www.bridgew.edu/corecurriculum. For additional graduation requirements, see the Undergraduate Academic Policies and Procedures section of this catalog.